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Explorer Stanley thinks that Africa ill in the future become what America

A minister of Boston says no farmer can be successful who doesn't work sixeen hours a day.

The adoption of steel ties in place of wooden ones seems to be one of the coming reforms in railroad building.

The Argentine Republic imports yearly over \$100,000,000, and of this vast sum, the United States sell them less than seven

There is an extraordinary increase of suicide and dueling in high military circles in Russia. The fashionable duel is fought at five paces with cavalry revolverz.

It is estimated that \$312,000,000 is invested annually in the co-operative building associations in this country, and that these associations annually furnish 156,000 houses or homes to their mem-

The newspapers of Louisiana, without regard to locality, almost solidly unite in demanding that the United States Government take charge of and maintain the levee system of the Mississippi

The remarkable statement was recently made from the pulpit by an optimistic Boston clergyman that "there were never more beautiful women that now, and that Helens and Cleopatras are produced by the thousands."

The burning of a Florida steamer is attributed to the laziness of a watchman who attempted to fill a lighted coal oil lamp. The result was the loss of three lives and the destruction of the boat with all the passengers' luggage. The New York Telegram declares that "a term in the penitentiary is the fit reward of such

Domenico Cappeletto, a journalist of Padua, Italy, sent his newspaper an account of his own suicide and then shut himself in a room, lighted a charcoal fire and underwent asphyxiation. In a footnote he advised the editor to print 100 extra copies, as he thought there would be an unusual demand for the paper on account of his death.

A Philadelphia barber testifies that the use of leeches for black eyes is becoming a thing of the past. This is not due so much, he says, to the growing unpopularity of the leech, as it is to the fact that black eyes are much less frequently seen than they used to be. Is this a good sign, muses the Chicago Herald, or does it only point to the growing popularity of the revolver!

In discussing the best way to keep bors in high school the consensus of opinion at the meeting of the Northern Illinois Teachers' Association at Rock Island was that athletic sports should receive more encouragement. Farm, Field and Stockman suggests: Why not substitute manual training or horticultural pursuits? This would develop muscle and impart useful instruction at

It is worth remarking that the Germans have never called Bismarck "The Iron Chancellor." The title is one of French or British invention. Bismarck was called der Eiserne Graf after the battle of Sadowa, and for years he was known only as "The Iron Count." But this title is said to have been given him in admiration of his nerve in himself arresting Blinde, who tried to assassinate him in the open street.

In a case just disposed of the Supreme Court of Indiana has decided that a will made on Sunday is valid. It holds that the drafting and execution of a will are akin to the execution of a marriage contract and solemnizing the marriage. "The statute," the Court notes, "makes it a penal offense to be found engaged in common labor or in one's usual avocation. It certainly could not be contended that a minister of the Gospel engaged in solemnizing a marriage on Sunday, or a lawyer employed in writing a will to be executed on Sunday, would be subject to indictment and prosecution for a viola-

tion of the statute." There is just now a remarkable revival of the ship-building industry in the State of Maine, announces the New Orleans Times-Democrat. Yards, which long since fell into decay, have been brushed up and the symmetrical shape of a large schooner or ship has appeared, and the hum of building has taken the place of silence. After a careful review of the field it is concluded that the present season will rank well up with any in the history of this industry in that State, even in its most palmy days. While last year there was a marked increase in building, this year will outrank it. This may be in part accounted for by the great ice boom and the additional number of bottoms needed to move the product.

ing machine have been invented and patented by women.

The Atlanta Constitution asks in all seriousness: Why is it that build-headed men very rarely become lunaties?

The German Covernment is asking for supplementary credits of nearly a million dollars at a time to push Major Wissmann's operations in East Africa, "This does not look much like backing down before England," dryly observes the New York Sun.

Murder, avers the New York World, seems to be the least perilous of all the felonious pastimes known to this country. Out of 14,770 murderers who took human life in the six years from 1884 to 1889 only 558 paid the penalty of their crimes by yielding their own lives to the

Holland, it is stated, proposes to increase the duty on American petroleum imported into the Dutch Indies in reprisal for the American increase of duty on raw tobacco. In Dutch commercial circles the advisability is being discussed of common European action against American Protection.

In 1849, E. W. Willard invested \$175, unit of brains and forty years' foresight in some Illinois land. He improved his purchase by investing forty years' patience, and sold the property the other lay for \$359,000. "What is the separate value in dollars of the 'unearned' increment?" queries the New York Sun.

Every year, says the Philadelphia Times, there is talk about "the Quakers lying out," but the yearly meetings turn out as strong as ever. The reason is that he younger generation, while trey may indulge in the vanity of gay clothes for a ceason, usually wind up by adopting the plain garb and conforming to the regular discipline.

One incident of the Mississippi flood s characteristic of the disregard of the average American for the preservation of game, remarks the New York Commercial Advertiser The deer came out of the swamps in droves and were mercilessly slaughtered. Left to themselves they would multiply and furnish a reasonable amount of food supply for years, but accident having having put them within reach of the people, the latter proceeded | in her employ. o appihilate the game.

At the last meeting of the New York Indian Association Chauncey M. Depew, who presided, spoke strongly of the wrongs of the Indian. "If the Anglo-Saxon," said Mr. Depew, "had been subjected to such treatment as the Indian has received for the last 200 years he would have become even a fiercer creature than the red man now is." Indian Commissioner Morgan thinks that isolation, tribalism and differences in language are the chief difficulties to be overcome in bringing about a better state among

The Department of Agriculture reporting upon cattle values, states that the aggregate value in 1884 was \$1,106,715,-703, while the present return shows only \$913,777,270 revealing a shrinkage of \$192,938,433 in six years, although numerically cattle have increased by more than 10,000,000 head. The Minneapolis Journal significantly remarks that this is a big difference, and attributable to the depression of prices brought about by the dressed-beef combines. This country hasn't stopped cating beef to any great extent so far as known, and the dressed-beef men certainly have not been losing any money. A business which makes from twenty-five to thirty per cent, on capital is paying pretty well, of course, and the shrinkage in cattle values suggests something of the effect of their bear operations in the cattle market. The real profit from cattle is made by the dressed-beef men; not by the cattle

A bill has been introduced in the Spanish Parliament, relative to child labor, which, in the estimation of the New New York News, indicates a commendable growth of public sentiment in that country in favor of looking out for the working people. The measure prohibits the employment of boys under ten and girls under twelve years of age, and children of any age being employed in mines or unhealthy industries. One singular feature about the bill is that it fixes the maximum of labor at fifteen hours daily. This will show how far Spain is behind the times in making proper provision for the working classes. If any one would propose in this country to pass a bill fixing a day's labor at fifteen hours, he would be regarded as of unsound mind. But in Spain that seems to be looked upon as a reform. It is not to be wondered at that Spain has been going down hill for such a long period of time, and that its industries are generally in a depressed condition. No country can prosper which treats its working people in that way.

Twenty-two improvements on the sew- OUEER WORK FOR WOMEN

ODD INDUSTRIES FOLLOWED BY SOME OF THEM.

A Woman Who Finishes and Furnishes Houses-One Runs a Livery Stable-Some Shoe Horses.

New York is full of independent women; "7268" is the numeral that distinguishes a young lady who consigns all sorts of hammered silver goods to the Exchange for Woman's Work. She made her reputation by a tea caddy, hundreds of which have since been sold.

Mrs. Eleanor Davis, a member of the Woman's Working Club, has a family of children which she is educating with the money earned from salad lessons.

In Sixth avenue, near Fourteenth street, there are two sisters who conduct jewelry business. Both are expert vatchmakers, having learned the trade with their father, who is now in feeble health and dependent on them for supporc. The little women are pretty and bright, and under twenty-four years of age. Aside from being self-sustaining, they have several small brothers and sisters depending on them for motherly care and education.

Mrs. Sarah L. Wright, of West Fortyfirst street, runs a livery stable; Miss Ferne has a boarding-house in West Twenty-first street and gets time to manage a boarding and lodging bureau located in West Twenty third. There are no less than 130 female bakers about town, and the largest tobacco factory i the vicinity of Rivington and Canno streets is the property of a women.

In Chicago there is a Miss Needer em doved by a local firm, who takes the ouse from the builder, decorates it throughout, and after the ornamental touches have been added in the form of gas fixtures, sconces, faucets, door-knobs, hinges and bell-pulls, she individually selects the furniture, upholstery goods, carpets, cushions and rugs, and prepares the entire house for the reception of the family. Even the nursery is appointed. the cook, butler and maids provided, the table spread and the meal prepared for the house-warming. Miss Neeler is a young lady whose success has been phenomenal considering the short time she has been engaged as an interior artiste.

Chicago's Central Music Hall building is filled with bright women, who give medical treatment, physical and ethical training; build up voices and brokendown constitutions, make bonnets, collect rents, teach music, pull teeth and right the wrongs of their timorous sis-Out on Larrabee street there is a Mrs.

Jane Jensen, who keep a blacksmith shop, and when the customers exceed the shoers she puts on a leather apron and a pair of rubber sleeves, and, taking a Free Press. horse's foot on her knee, well and almost as quickly as any smith Miss Hattie Butterfield, the principal

of one of the large Chicago primary schools on the North Side, runs a boarding-house, from which she clears as much is her school salary amounts to. She is a daring trader on the call board, and, notwithstanding the risks she takes, manages to buy a bit of property every Miss Theodosia Stiles, daughter of

General I. N. Stiles, has a school on the North Side, where she teaches domestic conomy, and Miss Jane Willard, whose father has had the chair of history in the Chicago High School for the last twen ty-three years, returned from Smith College after a year's study, rented a hall on West Madison street and undertook to teach the wild Western damsel how to swing clubs, manipulate dumb bells and turn somersaults from a spring-board She began with a class of ten, put them in blue blouses and divided skirts, went in debt for a supply of bells, clubs, wands and hanging apparatus and before the term closed had three classes of thirty-five each. That was in 1886. With the proceeds of the year's work she went back to Smith, finished the course and is again at work teaching the buds and blossoms of smoky Chicago how to be well, strong and graceful.

A Matilda L. Scott, living in North May street, has a kennel and dog farm, where she mises toy terriers that net shoes."-Chatter. \$200 a year, and she pays all her expenses with the proceeds of the cauine ick ward.

Miss Bessie Bole, of San Francisco, is twenty years of age, and a lady of rare beauty, being a lithe blonde with darkbrown eyes and a very pretty figure. At the Mechanics' Institute she exhibited a set of horseshoes which she made in one of the industrial schools. Her hands became at once a subject of interest and large inducements were offered by enterprising photographers for the privilege of selling them in cabinet cards. Mis-Bole belongs to a good family, the opposition from which is all that restrains ter from opening a shop of her own.

Mrs. Mary Miller, of New Orleans, is a steamboat captain who learned the business while traveling up and down the Mississippi with her husband. At his death she applied for a license, having no other means of support, and it was

Miss Carrie Burnham Kilgore, of Phila delphia, has just been admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court. She is the fourth one of her sea who has sought for or obtained this distinction. The other three women practitioners are Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, Laura De Force Gordon, and Mrs. Ada M. Bittenbender, of Nebraska.

One woman has made the silk gownof the Justices of the United States Su preme Court for the past forty years, and the gets \$100 for each one of them. They are all made alike, the only difference being in the material, the Chief Justice wearing black Chinese satin, while his associates are robed in black silk. The Chief Justice always wears a new gown when he swears in a President .- New York World.

The British House of Commons consists of 670 members, forty of whom constitute a quorum to do business.

Oh Dear! Such a Picnic!

In the cities, hurry, bustle and confusion comes with Spring, for not only is there house-cleaning to attend to, but a change of residence by a great many

Even on the homesteads, or in towns where moving is seldom attempted, the annual dust and dirt, scrub and rub, whitewash and paint, has to be put up

This every year picnic for the housekeeper is followed, as a rule, by a selection of Furniture and Carpets; for Carpets will wear out and Furniture will get old-fashioned.

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AUMOROUS SKETCHES FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

A Tiff-A Point of Superiority-Feminine Amenities-Foresight-Earning His Fee-A Theory, Etc., Etc.

They had a quarrel and she sent His letters back next day His ring and all his presents went To him without delay.

Pray, send my kisses bac't to me He wrote: "could you forget them?" She answered speedity that he Must come himself and get thear

FEMININE AMENITIES. Mrs. Bjones-'How wonderfully Mrs. Robbins carries her age! Mrs. Bsmith (sweetly)- 'Yes, considering how much there is of it."-Detroit

HIS EICHES MAY TAKE WINGS. Mrs. Snaggs-"The King of Siam has mething laid up for a rainy day." Snaggs-"What is it?" "An umbrella worth \$2000."-Pitts

very Chroniele- Telegraph. A THEORY.

What is it, do you suppose, that keeps the moon in place and prevents it from falling?" asked Araminta. "I think it must be the beams," said

Charley, softly .- New York Sun. WAS CARRIED BY TORNADOES. Hostess-"So you lived for some time n Breezy City, Kansas. Did you do much traveling through that State?" Guest-Oh, ves, whenever the winds

were high. - New York Weekly.

EARNING HIS PEE. Cora-"Oh, doctor, mamma scolded me for holding pins in my mouth. Is it really dangerous? Sawbones-"No, my dear. It's only dangerous if you swallow them." Epoch.

FEATHER-WEIGHT THOUGHTS. Dealer-"Now, here's a showcase that will magnify the goods you put into it.' Customer-"Great Scott! Then don't want it. I'm a shoe dealer, and I

want a case for displaying women'c A POINT OF SUPERIORITY. Miss Manhattan-"But certainly you must admit that New Yorkers are the best dressed people in the world.

Miss Lakely-"Well, anyhow, it is

acknowledged that Chicago produces the

best dressed beef."-Puck COMMENDABLE GOODS. Merchant-"Sir, I want you to undertand that my goods sell themselves." Mark Downes-"Indeed? And I supose you have all these clerks hanging

A SPECIAL DELIVERY. "I delivered a lecture last night," said he messeuger boy. "How did you come to do that?"

"The feller that wrote it forgot to

ake it along with him when he went to

the Academy and sent me after it."

round here just to keep you from feeling

onely."-Dry Goods Chronicle.

HE WAS SURE OF IT. Lady Customer (angrily)-"I believe there is water in you milk, sir.' Hopest Milkman-"Yes, madam there s. I have on several occasions urged the

cows to be more careful, but they insist

that it is impossible to make milk with-

out water."-Puck. INTERNATIONAL JOURNALISM Hip Lung (of Chinese newspaper at Peking) - "Here's a report of a most awful storm in the United States. Hundred were killed."

Fin Wing (managing editor)-"Give it five lines on an iaside page; that's the way they treat our disasters." MOTHER KNOWS.

Lizzie-"About eleven, mamma.

two hours later than that, for I distinctly | Philadelphia Times. heard him say, as you both went to the door: 'Just one, Lizzie.' You can't fool your mother."- New York Sun.

FORESIGHT. She-"Oh, horrors!"

He-What is it, darling?" She- 'I forgot all about poor pussy, left in the house alone, and we off for a week. She'll starve.' He-Oh, I remembered her. I left

table with a sardine opener beside it."-

SHE LED HIM UP TO IT. Tramp- Madam, have you anything for me this morning." Housewife-'. We've a little something

in the barrel, but I'm afraid it's as heavy as lead." Tramp (smiling)-"I think I can

BLRE'S CHIVALRY

His Mother-"Willie, Willie, you are forgetting to say your prayers: Willie (crawling into bed)-"No. I ain't, mamma, but I've got an engagement to fight with Bob Stapleford tomorrow. He doesn't know how to pray, and I'm not going to take any unfair advantage of him, betcher life."- Chicago

QUITS!

"George, darling, I have always longed for one of this pattern, and you are the first who loved me sufficiently to study my tastes in this matter." And yet," replied he, leveling things up, "it is no rarity, as in my en-

else."-Philadelphia Times. APPROPRIATE MUSIC. Marguerite (seated beside her affianced

on sofe, to her sister in adjoining room) -"What is that you be just been playing, Dora!" Dors (aged fifteen)-"Oh, you and Clarence ought to know!" Clarence (bravely, but rashly)-

'Whisperings of Love,' isn't it?" Dora (crushingly)-"No-The Lunatic's Waltz."

CORDIAL BUT ILLOGICAL. Jones was quite struck by the appearance of a guest at an evening party whose name he did not know, but whose face was familiar.

"Beg pardon," he said, going up to I think we have met before. "That is my impression." "It wasn't at New Orleans, was it?" No: I've never been there. "Nor I cither," replied Jones in a

ROMANCE AND BEALITY Romantic Miss-"Do you love me well enough to do battle for me?"

burst of illogical enthusiasm .- Judge.

Ardent Suitor-"Ay, against a thousand. "Well, Mr. Bigfish is paying me a good deal of attention. Would you fight | marked 10c .- Atlanta Constitution. him for me?"

"Yt. I would." "Could you defeat him?" 'N-o, he'd probably thrash the life out of me.

Mr. Bigfish coming, you'll run."-New York Weekly. SHE SAVED HIS LIFE. "Alonzo, darling, once at the seashore

you saved my life! "Do not speak of it. I-"I think I said whether as a friend, a sister or in still dearer relation I would remember and recompense you.

You did, dear, you did; what-"One moment. Until the present i refused your entreaties to bake. To-day I acceded to them. But remember my vow. Before I put my work on the table Mrs. Fangle-"Lizzie, what time was I gave one of the cakes to Fide. Come t when that young man left last night?" out and see him."

He did so, and they buried the dog

Mrs. Langle-"Now, Lizzie, it was and the cook book in the same grave .-

WHERE THE LEAK WAS. Mr. Billus (looking over his expense account)- "Maria, we spent exactly \$50 more than our income this year. We've

got to retrench. Mrs. Billus-"It wasn't my fault, John. I didn't lose \$75 on the election, nor pay out \$40 in club dues, nor spend \$65 for cigars, nor run through with \$120 in three days at the races, nor ina can of condensed milk on the kitchen dorse a note for \$200 for a mere ac-

quaintance and lose it, nor-Mr. Billus (still looking through the expense account)-" None of these things account for that \$50. By Jove! Here it is! 'Subscription for pastor's salary, \$50?' Maria, we can't stand that! The preacher will have to get along without anything from me this year."- Chicage

Last Coin Spent by Abraham Lincoln.

digest it, madam. Where is the barrel?" Last Coin Spent by Abraham Lancoln.

Housewife - 'Hitched to the gun." - Dr. J. B. Mobley, of Fairburn, Ga., has a curiosity, with a history of unusual interest attached, in the shape of a ten cent piece-not a dime, but a regular an

cient ten-center. It runs this way On the evening of the 14th of April 1865, the night on which President Abraham Lincoln was killed, the Presi dent, before reaching the opera house, walked into a drug store close by and bought of the druggist a bottle of smell ing salts, paying him therefor ten cents He handed the druggist the exact change, this identical ten-cent piece. Just as the President walked out of the She kissed him as he gave her the drug store, Charley Lines, a Union soldier and a member of the 146th New York Volunteers, entered the store and bought a cigar for ten cents, and handed the

druggist a twenty-five-cent piece, and the druggist said: "Here is ten cents just paid me by President Lincoln, and here is a five-cent

shin-plaster." gagements I have never used anything Private Lines placed the ten-cent piece in his vest pocket and went on his way rejoicing in the flavor of his cigar. The next hour and a half brought the news to the soldier that the President had

been fatally wounded at the opera house. The soldier thought of the ten-cent piece immediately, being the last money the President had spent while in life He valued it very highly, and in the fall of 1866 he met with Dr. J. B. Mobley and told him about the ten-cent piece he had. The doctor laughingly asked Colonel Lines what he would take for the piece, and Colonel Lines remarked, jokingly, he would take \$25 for it, whereupon Dr. Mobley pulled out the amount and handed it to him. Colone! Lines wanted to back out, but Mobley insisted, and finally received the piece

from the hands of Colonel Lines. It appears the drug store mentioned was only a few steps from the opera house, and, further, that the President had a private box at the opera, and, consequently, had no ticket to purchase as he went in, and Colonel Lines stated it to be a fact that the druggist said the President gave it to him. At any rate, this is strong evidence that this is the identical last ten cents Abe Lincoln ever disposed of during his life. It is dated 1827 with the Goddess of Liberty, and the eagle with three arrows in his claws and

thing was done by electricity. The pressing of an electric button notified the "Mercy! Well, never mind. I'll take band to play, the dancers to dance. In you without any fighting; and, oh, do the supper-room was a track of small rails, please, remember, my darling, promise on which was an electric car or basket me on your honor, that if you ever see about a foot long and thirty inches wide. This car conveyed the viands from the butler's apartment. The butler piaced the courses in silver trays upon the car and sent them along the electric railway. The car stopped long enough in front of each plate for each guest to belp himself. The car was also supplied with electric bells. Under the tables were musicboxes operated by electricity which played during the supper. Not a drop of coffee or a bit of ice cream was spilled by

Evidence of Their Cleanliness.

bed is quite clean?" Bell Boy- 'Yes, sir, the sheets were

only washed this morning. Just feel 'em, they ain't dry yet."

An Electrical Supper. At a supper given in Baltimore every-

the electrical waiter .- New York World

Hotel Guest-"Now you are sure this